

Recreational Opportunities

Wildlife Viewing – Fishing – Hunting – Outdoor Photography

Conservation Areas are open from 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, dog training, launching and landing boats allowed 24 hours a day on areas where these activities are permitted.

- Groups of more than 10 people and some special activities may require a special use permit. Contact area manager for more information.
- Guiding for pay is prohibited.
- Use of fireworks are prohibited.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken for personal use. Digging roots is prohibited.
- No bicycling or horseback riding opportunities except on public roadways.
- Camping is allowed on or adjacent to all area parking lots. No unattended open campfires allowed. No amenities are provided. Groups of more than 10 campers require a special use permit. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- Walk-in/backpack camping is allowed **EXCEPT** during firearms deer and turkey seasons. No amenities are provided.
- Field trials prohibited.
- Pets and hunting dogs are permitted but must be on a leash or confined at all time. Hunting dogs may be used off the leash and unconfined for hunting and training purposes.
- Target shooting is not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Gig, longbow, or atlatl may be used for carp, buffalo, suckers, and gar in streams during statewide seasons.
- Seining or trapping live bait is permitted in streams.

- The following regulations apply in streams: no more than three (3) unlabeled poles may be used; trotlines, throwlines, limb lines, bank lines and jug lines may be used but no more than 33 hooks may be used at any time; hooks on trotlines must be staged 2 feet apart; hooks and lines must be attended every 24 hours or removed. Unanchored jug lines must be personally attended at all times.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Booklets for current regulations.
- Only portable stands are permitted and only between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Each stand must be identified with the name and address of the user and must be removed from the area by Feb. 1. Use of nails and other materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and blinds are permitted but must be disassembled and removed daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with special use permit. Contact area manager.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation
Hannibal, MO 63401
(573) 248-2530

Additional area information is posted on our website and on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

Wyaconda Crossing

CONSERVATION AREA



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